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Today's Weather.

Portland, Feb. 2.—Oregon and Eastern Washington—Friday, occasional rain or snow.

Western Washington—Increasing cloudiness, followed by rain by Friday night or Saturday.

CRANK LOBBYISTS.

From the tone of a telegram published in the Oregonian it is evident that members of the legislature are becoming weary of the gall of professional lobbyists, and the aspersions cast upon the members of the legislature by men whose reputations are not above suspicion. The report says:

"The insistent work of Anti-Saloon Leaguers, prohibitionists and others on the floor of the two houses and in the lobby against amendment of the local option law and the bill for a constitutional convention has aroused the ire of members of both houses. Yesterday, when those workers were as thick as flies on the floor of the house, a resolution, introduced by Capron of Multnomah, was adopted on suspension of the rules, to keep outside the bar all persons to whom the courtesies of the house had not been extended.

"Some members declare unwarranted aspersions have been cast upon them by the lobbyists, and by churches and preachers of Portland. They denounce their critics as moved by intolerance and as wanting in Christian charity. They say floods of protesting letters have come from so many directions as to show the existence of an organization that would be denounced as a machine were it carried on by any other set of workers.

Before the house committee on revision of laws, which has in its possession the Jayne bill for amendment of the local option law, E. S. J. McAllister, attorney for the Anti-Saloon League, asserted with much warmth: "Any member of this legislature who votes to amend that law will be buried in a political grave 1x76 feet deep."

"Mr. McAllister" remarks not only were full of protests but contained numerous threats that the legislature in voting for the bill would bring down a tremendous storm on their heads. Other speakers at that meeting said the same thing and joined him in asserting that legislators who should support the Jayne bill would brand themselves as servants of iniquitous liquor interests, which were trying to usurp the powers of the people. Such expressions aroused considerable feeling.

"The resolutions and letters have declared that the Jayne bill and the Brownell constitutional bill came from 'political machines and liquor interests,' that a 'general protest should go up from all self-respecting citizens' and that their passage would be a crime against the citizens of the state."

"The most outspoken of those who resent these imputations are Senators Malarkey, Hodson and Sichel."

NOT DEAD, BUT SLEEPETH.

Inertness seems to be characteristic of the commercial bodies of Astoria as is evidenced by an apparent want of enterprise in making an exhibition at the Lewis and Clark fair. Of all the counties in the state, Clatsop should have been foremost in making an exhibit of its grand natural resources as an incentive for intending locators and

investors. Clatsop county is more closely identified with the explorations of Lewis and Clark, in whose honor the exhibition is created, than any other county in the state. It was here that Lewis and Clark first landed. It was here that Ft. Clatsop was built; where the necessity of procuring salt prompted them to build a salt cove at Seaside. One of the principal rivers in Clatsop county was named in their honor. It is a county closely identified with the historic events that prompted the world's fair. If no other county in the state were represented at the fair Clatsop county certainly ought to have been. On the contrary, it is the only county in the state that will not be represented.

Under the provision of the statutes of Oregon the county is authorized to spend \$1000 in advertising the county. The county court, recognizing the importance of a representation at the fair communicated with the various commercial organizations in an endeavor to enlist their influence in making an exhibit, at least, commemorative of the event. These communications met with no response, and after waiting for the time set for applying for space, without any action, the court was compelled to notify the managing committee in Portland that Clatsop county did not desire any space at the exposition. It will be the only county in the state that will not have an exhibition to advertise its magnificent resources and inducements offered for intending settlers.

The actions of the commercial bodies can only be attributed to selfishness. It shows a lack of enterprise that does not exist in any other county. It is a self-confessed advertisement that outside capital and outside seekers for homes are not wanted. Self-aggrandizement will never succeed, nor should it become a component part of any municipal government. It is not inimicable to the development of natural resources and is an aspersion on the honest motives of the few enterprising residents of the commonwealth. The people of Clatsop county are not entitled to any credit for their lack of enterprise, but rather of condemnation. The time has come for shaking off the barnacles and relics of mossbackism that seems to permeate the very atmosphere, instilling into the rising generation selfish impulses not conducive to the prosperity of Astoria and Clatsop county. It is a shame and a disgrace that will attach to Clatsop county as long as it is a part of the great commonwealth of Oregon.

BAD FOR THIRD HOUSE.

The Salem Statesman publishes the following which is bad for the third house of the legislature:

A report seems to have gained circulation throughout the state that Salem is the scene of a battle royal over the proposed Jayne amendment of the local option law. It has also been circulated that a boodle fund has been raised by the liquor interests to carry the bill. There is no foundation for such reports so far as any one can see at the capital. So far no liquor lobbyists have made their appearance at the state house. One or two representatives of the liquor dealers have expressed their opinions and views on the matter before the committee which is considering the bill. There has been no organized movement to secure the passage of the bill by the use of money or any other way through the work of lobbyists. Both sides have presented their claims to the committee and nothing has been done that is foreign to good, clean legislation. There have been no illegitimate or illegal transactions whatever. In fact, the absence of a "pro-liquor" lobby was never more noticeable than now. In point of fact, the "third house" is very small and generally unimportant this year.

General Marine Notes.

The steam schooner Despatch arrived in yesterday to load lumber for California. She will take on her cargo at the Tongue Point mills.

The steamer Roanoke is expected to arrive in from the south today.

The schooner Ethel Zane cleared for San Pedro yesterday with lumber from Rainier mills.

The German bark Anna left out for Chinese ports yesterday with a cargo of lumber.

The steamer Harrison will leave out from Astoria this morning for Astoria.

The steamers Homer, Aberdeen, Aurelia and Kilburn left Portland last night outward bound. The Aberdeen goes to San Francisco, the Aurelia goes

to Redondo, and the Homer and the Kilburn are trying to beat each other to Coos Bay.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Frank Merrill, an old Astoria boy, is visiting friends in Astoria.

Mrs. Clinton is visiting friends in Portland.

B. F. Allen went to Seaside yesterday on business.

David Hood was in the city yesterday on business.

Manager Gurrurtz of the Star theater was in Portland yesterday securing attractions for his popular house.

Phillip Minor of Wyoming is visiting friends in the city.

W. W. Riggs of Seattle was in Astoria yesterday on business.

A. D. Lobree of San Francisco registered at the Occident yesterday.

L. H. Miller of Tacoma was in the city yesterday.

J. A. Kline of San Francisco was in the city yesterday.

Geo. C. Catlett of San Francisco registered at the Occident yesterday.

W. F. McGregor went over to Tucker creek yesterday to scale a raft of logs.

W. R. Mackenzie of Portland is in the city on a business trip.

OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

Epitome of Anecdotes and Incidents With Comments by a Layman.

The Unique must have quit advertising—"He-haw."

It is estimated that Smith of Josephine costs the state about \$10,000 by taking up the time of the legislature with ranting speeches.

Among the most important bills introduced in the house is one to protect crabs.

Smith of Josephine has introduced a bill in the legislature to protect angleworms.

That tired feeling is grip these days. It's too early to call it spring fever.

"Lucy," asked the teacher, "what is the meaning of 'succinct'?"

Lucy—It means short, ma'am.

"Give an example of its use."

Lucy—The Astoria police commission is succinct, two members."

Astoria physicians are now asserting that whisky and quinine are not good for the grip. Plenty of persons never had much faith in the quinine part of the combination, anyhow.

Philadelphia claims to be the headquarters for Virginia antique furniture, secured from old colonial homes. The business has grown to such proportions that several factories are manufacturing this line exclusively.

One physician declares that constant eating of meat makes a man immoral. It is suspected that the doctor has been "approached" by some wheataline concern.

Governor Folk of Missouri has declared that the St. Louis police must keep them out is to keep politicians out of the police force.

"Did you take the note home which I gave you?" asked the music teacher.

"Yes, ma'am," answered little Essie.

"Did your mamma give you a good talking to for neglecting your studies?"

"No, ma'am. She compared the writing with a letter she found in papa's pocket and then said she was coming down here tomorrow and clean up."

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